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September 2009 Crop Production

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The September 1, 2009, Mississippi Soybean production is forecast at 89.0 million bushels, up 13 percent from last year. Yield per acre is forecast at 41 bushels, up 1 bushel and surpassing the record high set in 2007. Cotton yield per acre is forecast at 960 pounds, up 5 percent from 2008 and 10 percent above the previous month. Production is forecast to drop 17 percent to 520,000 thousand bales. Corn for grain production for 2009 is forecast at 107 million bushels, up 9 percent from last year. Yield per acre is forecast at 137 bushels, down 3 bushels from the previous year. Acreage

harvested for grain is expected to total 780,000 acres, up 11 percent from 2008. Production of Rice is forecast at 17.0 million hundredweight, up 6 percent from 2008. The yield per acre is forecast at 7,000 pounds, up 150 pounds from last year. Acres for harvest are forecast at 238,000 acres, up 4 percent from the previous year. Peanut production is forecast at 70.0 million pounds, down 15 percent from last year. Yield is forecast at 3,500 pounds per acre, down 10 percent from 2008. Acreage harvested for 2009 is expected to total 20,000 acres, down 5 percent from the previous year.

Crop Acreage, Yield and Production, Mississippi and United States, September 1, 2009

Crop	Unit	Acreage		Yield		Production	
		Harvested 2008	For Harvest 2009	2008	2009	2008	2009
1,000 Acres				1,000 Units			
Mississippi							
Soybeans	bu	1,960	2,170	40.0	41.0 *	78,400	88,970
All Cotton ^{1 2}	bale	360.0	285.0	911	960	683.0	570.0
All Rice ²	cwt	229	238	6,850	7,000	15,687	16,660
Corn Grain	bu	700	780	140.0	137.0	98,000	106,860
Peanuts	lbs	21.0	20.0	3,900	3,500	81,900	70,000
United States							
Soybeans	bu	74,641	76,767	39.6	42.3 *	2,959,174	3,245,292 *
All Cotton ^{1 2}	bale	7,568.7	7,728.2	813	835	12,815.3	13,438.0
All Rice ²	cwt	2,976	3,101	6,846	7,051	203,733	218,647
Corn Grain	bu	78,640	80,007	153.9	161.9 *	12,101,238	12,954,500
Peanuts	lbs	1,507.0	1,082.0	3,416	3,397	5,147,900	3,675,500

* Record high.

¹ Production ginned and to be ginned. 480-lb. net weight bales.

² Yield in pounds per acre.

**Mississippi Cotton: Area Harvested, Yield, and Production by Districts,
2008 and Forecasted September 1, 2009**

District	Harvested Acres		Yield Per Harvested Acre (lbs)		Production in 480 Net Weight Bales	
	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009
Upper Delta	125,100	84,200	1,037	995	270,200	174,500
Lower Delta	118,000	95,500	872	994	214,300	197,800
Other Districts	116,900	105,300	815	901	198,500	197,700
State	360,000	285,000	911	960	683,000	570,000

**Mississippi Soybeans: Area Harvested, Yield and Production by Districts,
2008 and Forecasted September 1, 2009**

District	Harvested Acres		Yield Per Harvested Acre (bu)		Production (bu)	
	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009
Upper Delta	657,200	725,000	41.4	43.2	27,194,400	31,300,000
N. Central	186,100	190,000	36.5	38.2	6,795,900	7,250,000
Northeast	147,300	160,000	34.1	35.0	5,028,800	5,600,000
Lower Delta	721,600	805,000	41.5	41.6	29,914,500	33,500,000
Other Districts	247,800	290,000	38.2	39.0	9,466,400	11,320,000
State	1,960,000	2,170,000	40.0	41.0	78,400,000	88,970,000

**Peanuts: Area Harvested, Yield and Production by State and United States,
2007-2008 and Forecasted September 1, 2009**

State	Area Harvested		Yield		Production	
	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009
	1,000 Acres		Pounds		1,000 Pounds	
Alabama	193.0	153.0	3,300	3,300	636,900	504,900
Florida	140.0	105.0	3,200	3,100	448,000	325,500
Georgia	685.0	500.0	3,400	3,500	2,329,000	1,750,000
Mississippi	21.0	20.0	3,900	3,500	81,900	70,000
New Mexico	8.0	7.0	3,200	3,200	25,600	22,400
North Carolina	97.0	66.0	3,700	3,400	358,900	224,400
Oklahoma	18.0	12.0	3,500	3,200	63,000	38,400
South Carolina	68.0	47.0	3,900	3,300	265,200	155,100
Texas	253.0	160.0	3,400	3,400	860,200	544,000
Virginia	24.0	12.0	3,300	3,400	79,200	40,800
United States	1,507.0	1,082.0	3,416	3,397	5,147,900	3,675,500

Cotton: Cumulative Boll Counts, by Selected States, 2005-2009 ¹

State	Month	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Number						
Arkansas	Sep	811	859	790	943	1,051
	Oct	728	814	839	810	
	Nov	733	849	849	852	
	Dec	733	824	849	846	
	Final	733	824	849	846	
Georgia	Sep	667	648	616	587	571
	Oct	689	675	570	613	
	Nov	767	774	707	733	
	Dec	767	790	708	742	
	Final	767	790	708	742	
Louisiana	Sep	746	760	796	655	714
	Oct	768	781	808	578	
	Nov	775	786	841	579	
	Dec	775	785	841	579	
	Final	775	785	841	579	
Mississippi	Sep	818	700	819	909	925
	Oct	729	699	745	679	
	Nov	724	695	747	728	
	Dec	722	695	747	722	
	Final	722	695	747	722	
North Carolina	Sep	799	637	527	667	701
	Oct	693	641	601	652	
	Nov	721	671	625	702	
	Dec	721	671	625	704	
	Final	721	671	625	704	
Texas	Sep	620	530	602	633	613
	Oct	516	477	538	513	
	Nov	586	533	631	579	
	Dec	585	544	632	573	
	Final	585	544	632	573	

¹ Includes small bolls (less than one inch in diameter), large unopened bolls (at least one inch in diameter), open bolls, partially opened bolls, and burrs per 40 feet of row. November, December, and Final exclude small bolls.

Chicken Eggs in Incubators, by Region and United States, August 1, 2008-2009

Region	Broiler-Type			Egg-Type		
	2008	2009	2009/2008	2008	2009	2009/2008
	1,000		Percent	1,000		Percent
North Atlantic	13,399	12,146	91	4,560	4,191	92
East North Central	12,191	12,080	99	6,653	6,761	102
West North Central	28,591	29,268	102	8,493	7,377	87
South Atlantic	239,237	231,554	97	2,999	2,783	93
South Central	333,740	321,023	96	5,545	4,397	79
West	22,577	21,574	96	4,413	7,273	165
United States	649,735	627,645	97	32,663	32,782	100

July Layers and Egg Production, by Selected States and United States, 2008-2009

State	All Layers on Hand		Table Eggs ¹		Hatching Eggs ¹	
	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009
	1,000			Million Eggs		
Alabama	9,215	8,958	30	29	148	145
Arkansas	13,198	12,034	85	80	179	164
Florida	9,974	9,711	214	214	6	5
Georgia	18,236	17,288	199	200	178	168
Mississippi	6,298	5,783	38	35	92	87
North Carolina	12,213	12,516	118	134	134	131
South Carolina	4,338	4,333	76	70	23	23
Virginia	3,035	3,171	30	29	32	35
United States	336,276	332,602	6,474	6,505	1,125	1,081

¹ Data by type of flock not shown for some States to avoid disclosing individual operations; data included in US totals.

July Broiler-Type Chicks Hatched, by Selected States and United States, 2008-2009

State	During July			January-July		
	2008	2009	2009/2008	2008	2009	2009/2008
	1,000		Percent	1,000		Percent
Alabama	114,172	111,335	98	818,853	756,942	92
Arkansas	97,655	86,874	89	699,582	612,686	88
Florida	5,095	3,788	74	34,926	25,477	73
Georgia	123,297	117,373	95	866,301	810,827	94
Mississippi	70,011	68,649	98	485,346	461,436	95
North Carolina	69,616	68,188	98	494,550	474,859	96
South Carolina	19,459	19,743	101	137,375	138,525	101
Virginia	23,095	23,285	101	158,641	155,044	98
United States	805,182	781,215	97	5,676,043	5,357,180	94

**Young Chickens Slaughtered: Number, Live Weight, and Average Live Weight,
by Selected States and United States, June-July 2009**

State	Number Slaughtered		Live Weight		Average Live Weight	
	June	July	June	July	June	July
	1,000 Head		1,000 Pounds		Pounds	
Alabama	91,745	94,219	502,617	514,764	5.48	5.46
Arkansas	85,481	83,762	457,838	450,120	5.36	5.37
Georgia	105,538	105,292	543,416	549,611	5.15	5.22
Kentucky	25,799	27,406	139,186	147,519	5.40	5.38
Louisiana	10,707	12,025	64,037	72,106	5.98	6.00
Mississippi	63,356	64,041	365,021	368,549	5.76	5.75
Missouri	34,588	35,900	161,908	167,532	4.68	4.67
North Carolina	61,663	62,575	428,432	436,859	6.95	6.98
South Carolina	25,258	25,637	159,447	159,916	6.31	6.24
Tennessee	23,341	22,982	115,990	113,541	4.97	4.94
Texas	59,583	59,635	322,270	318,710	5.41	5.34
Virginia	27,375	29,061	135,750	145,121	4.96	4.99
United States	737,805	746,099	4,083,618	4,134,550	5.53	5.54

**Young Chickens Slaughtered: Pounds Certified and Post-Mortem Condemnations,
by Selected States and United States, June-July 2009**

State	Total Chilled and Frozen Pounds Certified ¹		Post-Mortem Condemnations			
			Carcass and Parts		Percent ²	
	June	July	June	July	June	July
	1,000 Pounds				Percent	
Alabama	377,026	385,165	2,733	2,684	0.72	0.69
Arkansas	333,980	328,927	2,913	2,795	0.86	0.84
Georgia	407,790	412,834	2,604	2,578	0.63	0.62
Kentucky	101,351	107,451	619	522	0.61	0.48
Louisiana	49,034	54,408	256	262	0.52	0.48
Mississippi	281,338	285,427	2,191	2,113	0.77	0.73
Missouri	119,232	123,454	1,420	1,257	1.18	1.01
North Carolina	330,303	337,048	3,648	3,738	1.09	1.10
South Carolina	119,726	120,312	921	883	0.76	0.73
Tennessee	84,003	81,992	639	574	0.75	0.70
Texas	251,470	249,232	1,834	1,835	0.72	0.73
Virginia	94,639	101,931	871	760	0.91	0.74
United States	3,048,796	3,089,874	26,503	26,008	0.86	0.83

¹ Ready-to-cook weights.

² Pounds condemned as percent of pounds certified plus post-mortem condemnations.

United States Catfish: Average Prices and Ending Inventory, July 2008-2009

Item	Sales Volume		Average Price ¹		Ending Inventory	
	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009
	1,000 Pounds		Dollars per Pound		1,000 Pounds	
Fresh						
Whole Fish	2,552	2,582	1.68	1.66	168	134
Fillets	3,943	3,649	3.25	3.21	499	461
Other	653	646	1.81	1.64	107	111
Total Fresh	7,148	6,877	2.56	2.48	774	706
Frozen						
Whole Fish	865	777	2.18	2.17	1,281	464
Fillets	8,912	8,273	2.95	2.94	8,491	7,915
Other	4,241	3,524	1.52	1.56	2,611	2,238
Total Frozen	14,018	12,574	2.47	2.51	12,383	10,617
Total Fresh & Frozen	21,166	19,451	2.50	2.50	13,157	11,323

¹ Gross value f.o.b. plant.

United States Farm-Raised Catfish: Quantity Processed and Prices Received by Producers by Major Processors, 2008-2009

Month	Round Weight Processed				Price Paid Pound ¹	
	Monthly		Cumulative		2008	2009
	2008	2009	2008	2009		
	1,000 Pounds				Dollars	
January	45,992	36,406	45,992	36,406	0.658	0.810
February	47,634	37,702	93,626	74,108	0.688	0.770
March	47,908	44,912	141,534	119,020	0.743	0.773
April	45,018	40,768	186,552	159,788	0.757	0.763
May	44,326	39,925	230,878	199,713	0.776	0.762
June ²	43,265	39,370	274,143	239,083	0.794	0.763
July	42,583	40,966	316,726	280,049	0.818	0.771
August	40,985		357,711		0.827	
September	39,057		396,768		0.827	
October	43,344		440,112		0.825	
November	36,869		476,981		0.823	
December	32,616		509,597		0.821	

¹ Quantity processed by major processors and the prices received for fish delivered to the processing plant's door. Price includes charges for any services provided by the processing plant, such as seining and hauling, but does not include adjustments based on year-end settlements.

² Revised 2009 data only.

**Catfish Feed: Tons Delivered for Foodsize Fish,
Mississippi and United States, 2008-2009**

Month	Mississippi		Percent of Previous Year	United States		Percent of Previous Year
	2008	2009		2008	2009	
	Tons		Percent	Tons		Percent
January	825	782	95	3,316	4,455	134
February	1,462	2,147	147	5,182	7,034	136
March	6,590	6,336	96	16,491	18,927	115
April	18,222	12,628	69	38,143	31,621	83
May	42,292	26,165	62	81,333	57,843	71
June	63,735	45,116	71	120,833	93,389	77
July	65,177	49,001	75	124,571	104,060	84
August	58,766			114,866		
September	54,664			107,400		
October	26,948			58,811		
November	4,566			14,404		
December	419			4,263		

**Catfish Feed: Tons Delivered for Fingerlings and Broodfish,
Mississippi and United States 2008-2009**

Month	Mississippi		Percent of Previous Year	United States		Percent of Previous Year
	2008	2009		2008	2009	
	Tons		Percent	Tons		Percent
January	41	41	100	293	254	87
February	49	73	149	238	268	113
March	212	460	217	482	927	192
April	488	855	175	986	1,116	113
May	699	1,477	211	1,392	1,774	127
June	1,169	2,688	230	1,755	3,191	182
July	2,425	3,445	142	3,078	4,209	137
August	1,923			2,857		
September	1,109			1,935		
October	575			749		
November	120			360		
December				43		

Mississippi and United States Price Highlights, August 2009 with Comparisons

Commodity	Unit	August 2008 Entire Month		July 2009 Entire Month		August 2009 Mid Month	
		MS	US	MS	US	MS	US
Corn	bu	---	5.26	---	3.60	---	3.31
Cotton, Upland	lb	.580	.585	.467	.472	^{1 2}	.484 ¹
Sorghum, grain	cwt	---	8.40	---	5.19	---	5.37
Soybeans	bu	11.70	12.80	9.99	10.80	10.10	10.70
Winter Wheat	bu	---	7.30	---	4.98	---	4.44
Rice, All	cwt	---	18.10	---	14.30	---	13.60
All Milk	cwt	---	18.40	---	11.30	---	11.80
Fluid	cwt	---	18.40	---	11.30	---	11.80
Manufacturing	cwt	---	17.20	---	10.20	---	10.60
All Beef Cattle	cwt	---	95.80	---	81.10	---	80.30
Cows	cwt	---	57.60	---	47.40	---	46.70
Calves	cwt	---	117.00	---	110.00	---	110.00
Steers & Heifers	cwt	---	100.00	---	85.30	---	84.60
All Hogs	cwt	---	60.70	---	43.20	---	39.70
Barrows & Gilts	cwt	---	61.70	---	43.90	---	40.00
Sows	cwt	---	40.50	---	28.30	---	33.20
Broilers, Live	lb	---	.470	---	.490	---	.430
Market Eggs	doz	.870 ³	.820 ³	.510 ³	.519 ³	.590	.579

--- Estimates not made.

¹ Based on sales during the first half of the month.

² Insufficient sales to establish a price.

³ Mid-month.